

**Introduced by Senator Florez**

February 27, 2009

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An act relating to disabled persons.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 621, as introduced, Florez. Disabled persons: employment.

Existing law establishes the Department of Rehabilitation in the Health and Welfare Agency and identifies as one of its goals employment and economic self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities. Under existing law, the department is provided all necessary authority to cooperate with the federal government in matters relating to individuals with disabilities and their vocational rehabilitation and independent living.

This bill would express the Legislature's intent to seek federal funding to promote and implement employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities in areas related to renewable energy, environmental safety, and conservation.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to seek federal
- 2     funding to promote and implement employment opportunities for
- 3     individuals with autism spectrum disorder and pervasive
- 4     developmental disorder, as well as for individuals with other
- 5     disabilities and special needs, in areas related to renewable energy,
- 6     environmental safety, conservation, and other areas relating to

- 1 creating a more livable and environmentally sustainable
- 2 community.

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